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1-7) U.S. Pat. Nos. 5,384,703, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SUMMARIZING DOCUMENTS ACCORDING TO THEME"; 5,638,543, entitled, "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATIC DOCUMENT SUMMARIZATION"; 5,708,822, entitled, "METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR THEMATIC PARSING OF DISCOURSE"; 5,768,580, entitled "METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR DYNAMIC CLASSIFICATION OF DISCOURSE"; 5,978,820, entitled "TEXT SUMMARIZING METHOD AND SYSTEM"; 5,924,108, entitled "DOCUMENT SUMMARIZER FOR WORD PROCESSORS"; and 6,199,034, entitled "METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR DETERMINING THEME FOR DISCOURSE," each disclose a method of summarizing text that relies on information not contained in the text being summarized. The information not contained in the text comes in various forms such as a stop list, a lexicon, a knowledge catalog that includes static ontologies, a word dictionary, and a pre-compiled list of words and phrases. The present invention does not rely on any of these forms of information.

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